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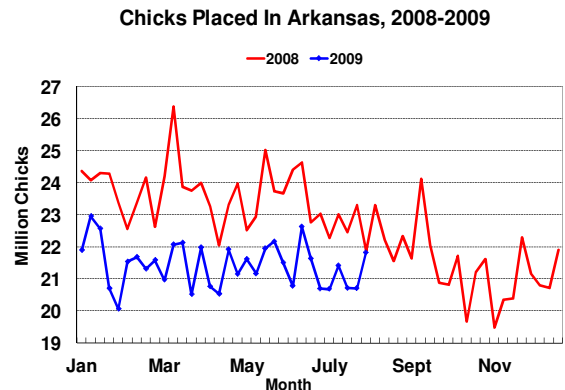
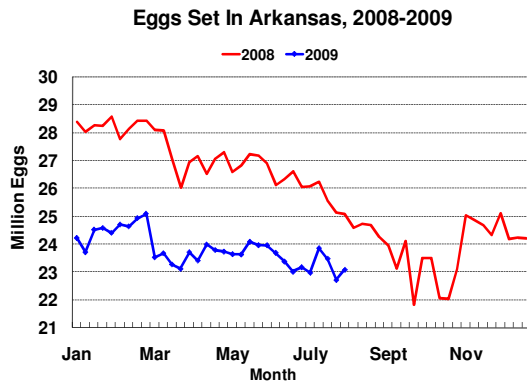


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Arkansas Chick Placements Down Slightly from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.8 million during the week ending August 8, 2009. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week in 2008 but up 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 8, 2009, down 8 percent from the same period last year but up 2 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, July 11, 2009 - August 8, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	11-Jul	18-Jul	25-Jul	1-Aug	8-Aug	11-Jul	18-Jul	25-Jul	1-Aug	8-Aug
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	29,188 *	29,025 *	28,744	29,079 *	28,494	21,294	20,556	21,195 *	20,977 *	20,988
Arkansas	22,979	23,861 *	23,489	22,721	23,090	20,694	21,423	20,718	20,714 *	21,833
Delaware	3,455	3,637	3,438	3,289	3,659	4,509	4,992	5,399	5,153 *	4,613
Florida	1,018	1,016 *	993	1,019	995	777	737	723	741	743
Georgia	31,731	31,726	31,282	31,171 *	31,309	26,524	26,668	26,574	26,953 *	26,432
Kentucky	7,694 *	7,848 *	7,407	7,657	7,806	6,701 *	6,746 *	6,337 *	6,876	6,341
Louisiana	3,409	3,409	3,424	3,455	3,455	2,851	2,959	2,888	2,948	2,914
Maryland	8,878	8,642	8,854	8,987 *	8,964	6,581	6,151	5,083	5,619 *	6,228
Mississippi	18,002	18,285	18,105	18,078	18,451	16,107	16,107	16,092	15,996	16,183
N. Carolina	18,402	18,672 *	18,217	18,820	18,587	15,001	15,481	15,055	15,135	15,586
Oklahoma	6,752	7,227 *	6,829	6,845	6,391	4,431	4,341	4,456	5,026	4,095
Pennsylvania	3,971	4,208	3,977	3,941 *	3,993	2,894	3,130	2,927	3,140 *	3,375
S. Carolina	5,623	5,707	5,810	5,736	5,839	4,586	4,645	5,213	4,395	4,661
Texas	15,717 *	15,553 *	15,472 *	15,378 *	15,280	13,585 *	13,232 *	12,767 *	13,292 *	13,213
Virginia	6,166	6,211	6,178	6,192	6,149	4,596	4,721	4,963	4,898	4,827
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,552 *	18,869 *	18,717 *	18,110 *	18,711	17,876 *	16,039 *	16,450 *	15,129 *	17,316
19 State Total	201,537 *	203,896 *	200,936 *	200,478 *	201,173	169,007 *	167,928 *	166,840 *	166,992 *	169,348
Prev. Year Total	211,457	211,369	209,872	207,229	207,161	175,314	172,780	170,837	172,890	173,001
% of Prev. Year	95	96	96	97	97	96	97	98	97	98

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 8, 2009. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 8, 2009. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through August 8, 2009 were 5.39 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.